

Edgewood

Highland Park

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Dear Geo, your message
rec'd this A.M. I had
been looking for it
the last 24 hours. So
was not surprised

If Nellie must go, we
ought to be glad her
suffering is at an end
but it is hard to part
with our loved ones
and Nellie was with me
so much during Henry's
sickness that I feel
her loss very keenly, it
seems to bring his death
back so forcibly. I little

thought then she would so
soon follow him, but I
did think when at your
house that she would not
live many months. Maggie
said to me she didn't
believe Nellie would live
six weeks, and it seems
she was right. I wish
I could say or do some
thing to comfort you all
but I can't give you my
deepest sympathy, and I
wish you would tell
Nellie's family the same
as I haven't the courage
to attempt any more
letters just now, I wish
I could go with you
to let her away, but

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Situated as we are now
and with the cold weather
I don't think it best
but if all were well
here I should try it.
Mrs Ball is still alive
though she has hoaxed
to be dying all day
still may live weeks
though it hardly seems
possible. If I should go
away and she should
be taken I should feel
very bad on Ed's account
so mustn't attempt it.
This is a beautiful winter

day sun shines bright
but it is cold Ther only
four above zero This P.M.
Lina & Maria bath
send love & sympathy
to you all. Yr aff
Aunt Sarah & Lark

All well as usual

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